ring the last 3 years are as given below:—

| Year | No. of foreign tourists (including nationals of Pakistan and Bangladesh) | Foreign exchange earnings from tourism (Rs. Crores) |
|---|---|---|
| 1987-88 . | 15,13,487 | 1,856 |
| 1988-89 . | 16,19,298 | 2,103 |
| 1989-90 . | 17,65,079 | 2,456 (P) |

(P) Provisional

(b) and (c) The Central Government has neither sponsored nor financed any such project in Haryana. The question of clearance of the project and dealing with the other related issues, therefore, does not arise.

**Review of fertilizer subsidy**

73. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are reviewing the present system of fertilizer subsidy calculated on the cost-plus formula;

(b) whether the present formula is also appliacble on tea, coffee and rubber producers besides foodgrains producers; and

(c) whether any steps are being taken to ensure that the subsidy goes to the poor and not the rich?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JAYANTILAL VIRCHANDBHAI SHAH): (a) The present formula under the retntion price-cum-subsidy scheme is operative for the 5th pricing period ending on 31st March, 1991. The Fertilizer Industry Coordination Committee has initiated necessary steps for formulating the retention pricing policy effective from 1st April, 1991.

(b) The subsidy is paid to the manufacturers of fertilizer and not to the consumers. The sale prices of fertilizer are uniform for all the categories of consumers. However, the pool issue prices are slighthly more in case of plantations than the prices charged for sale to private parties/registered licensed dealers.

(c) In view of reply to part (b) above, question does not arise.

**Impact of the Gulf War on foreign tourists**

74. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the impact of the Gulf War on foreign tourist traffic to India;

(b) whether it is a fact that there has been a large withdrawls of confirmed bookings from United States, Britain and some other countries, if so, the data available in this regard;

(c) the steps being taken to remove mis-apprehensions on the subject abroad; and

(d) the available data about drop in tourist traffic to Jammu and Kashmir both Indian and foreign in last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI USHA SINGH): (a) There has been a decline of about 20 per cent in the foreign tourist traffic to India excluding the nationals of Pakistan and Bangladesh during January, 1991 as compared to the